

COLTS AND SHOEMAKERS PLAY DOUBLE HEADER HERE TO-DAY

STACPOLE MAKES GOOD IN FIRST TRY

Richmond's New Pitcher Does Good Work and His Team Wins Game.

CHAMPIONS IN HARD LUCK

Pitcher Murray Allowed but Two Hits, but His Wild Pitch Cost Game.

VIRGINIA LEAGUE.

Yesterday's Scores.

Richmond, 2; Lynchburg, 0.
Roanoke, 3; Portsmouth, 1.
Danville, 1; Portsmouth, 1.

Schedule for To-Day.

Lynchburg at Richmond (two games).
Roanoke at Portsmouth.
Danville at Portsmouth.

Records of the Clubs.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Lynchburg	62	54	.534
Danville	60	57	.513
Richmond	57	57	.500
Roanoke	54	61	.473
Portsmouth	45	68	.398

The Colts returned yesterday from their losing trip to Truckeeville and captured the first of a series of five games from the champions, winning by a score of 2 to 0. The contest was a pretty battle between Pitcher Murray, of Lynchburg, and Stacpole, of Richmond, Manager Reese's New England recruit making an excellent impression. Both men did brilliant work, and the game would have gone extra innings but for an error of judgment by Murray in fielding his position, this being followed by a wild pitch, which permitted the first score. Warren was on first through Murray's mistake in fielding his drive to second, and he was either getting the batter, and he took third on the wild pitch, which enabled Warren to score. Pitcher Stacpole drove an unusually long ball to left-center, and Warren scored after the catch.

The champions never were nearer scoring than second base brilliant work by Stacpole and fast and fearless support by the team giving them no chance to win out. Their best opportunity came in the eighth inning when Holt led off with a single, and Wynne advanced him to first via the sacrifice route. Neither Murray nor McKenna could connect for the hit that would have meant a tally.

Murray pitched a brilliant game with the exception of the two runs mentioned. He allowed the Colts but two scattered singles, and Gettig got both of them. Each pitcher gave one home run and each a double. Stacpole struck out eight men, while Murray made but five fan. Stacpole's debut was eminently satisfactory to the Richmond crowd, and he was warmly applauded for his steadiness and good work in the pinches, and when he drove out the long fly to Anthony, on which Warren scored, he was given quite an ovation. He is a large man physically, and as a twirler he demonstrated a change of pace and variety of curves that indicated a strong boxman. He was cool and steady, and had excellent control. Only one hit had been made in the eighth inning, and after that the visitors got one in each inning, but when a hit meant a score the big New Englander was not to be outdone.

The game was a rather uninteresting one as pitchers battles usually are, with no score up to the closing inning, and while the bidding was hot and fast, there were few sensational plays. The star play of the game was a catch and throw by Anthony from left field to the plate, completing the only double play of the game.

Gettig had made his first hit, stolen second, and in the ninth, Evan's wide throw to catch him a fly to left. Anthony easily captured it, and Gettig tried to score, the brilliant Lynchburg left fielder as quick as a flash hurried the ball with remarkable accuracy right into the hands of catcher Evan, and Gettig was caught five feet from the plate.

Reeve made a pretty running stop and quick throw of McKenna's under just to the left of second, nipping the runner at first. Gettig's only chances were pop-fliers, and he made two very pretty runs, and one of them being between pitcher and first.

Double-Header To-Day.

The same teams will play two games to-day, the first beginning at 2:30, and two more to-morrow evening, which will be the last of the season. The game will probably go for Richmond, and Stewart and Kline, Grim's star twirlers, for the Shoemakers. Two pretty battles are anticipated.

With Gettig back in the game, and Warren covering first, the team is being better ball than at any stage of the season.

Umpire Harry Mace, one of the best that ever worked in this league, and who yesterday will call the balls and strikes to-day. His work yesterday did not elicit a murmur. The only thing to mar the game was the error of Evan's in outting after Murray's wild pitch. It is said that he signaled for a certain curve, and the pitcher threw another, and Evan's error of reach, losing the game. Evan's doffed his wind-pad and mask, and Hinton caught the rest of the game, but had

neither a fielding chance nor one at bat.

The score follows:

Lynchburg.

Players: AB R H O A E.

McKenna, rf.....0 0 1 0 0 0

Bowen, lf.....3 0 1 0 2 0

Hooker, cf.....4 0 1 1 0 0

Anthony, 2b.....3 1 3 1 0 0

Kirkpatrick, 3b.....2 0 0 1 0 0

Evans, c.....3 0 0 8 0 1

Holt, 1b.....2 0 1 7 0 0

Warren, p.....3 0 0 0 2 0

Murray, p.....3 0 0 0 2 0

Hinton, c.....0 0 0 0 0 0

Totals.....29 0 4 24 8 1

Richmond.

Players: AB R H O A E.

Reese, rf.....3 0 0 0 0 0

Stacpole, lf.....2 0 0 2 0 0

Walsh, cf.....3 0 0 2 0 0

Slack, 2b.....2 0 0 3 0 0

Warren, 1b.....3 1 0 10 0 0

Walsh, c.....3 0 0 7 1 0

Stacpole, p.....3 0 0 0 0 0

Totals.....24 2 27 11 0

The score by innings:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Richmond.....0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0

Summary: Sacrifices hit—Wynne, Stolen bases—Reese (2), Bowen, Hooker, Anthony, Evans, Holt, Warren, Murray, 1 (Hinton); of Stacpole, 1 (Bowen). Hit by pitched ball—Anthony, Timman. Struck by Stacpole, 2 (Bowen, Hooker). Bases on balls—Lynchburg, 5; Richmond, 2. Wild pitch—Murray. Time of game, 1:40. Umpire, Mr. Harry Mace. Attendance, 3,000.

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